



**Iowa Department of Human Rights  
Division of Criminal and Juvenile Justice  
Planning**

**Budget Presentation to Justice Systems  
Appropriations Subcommittee**

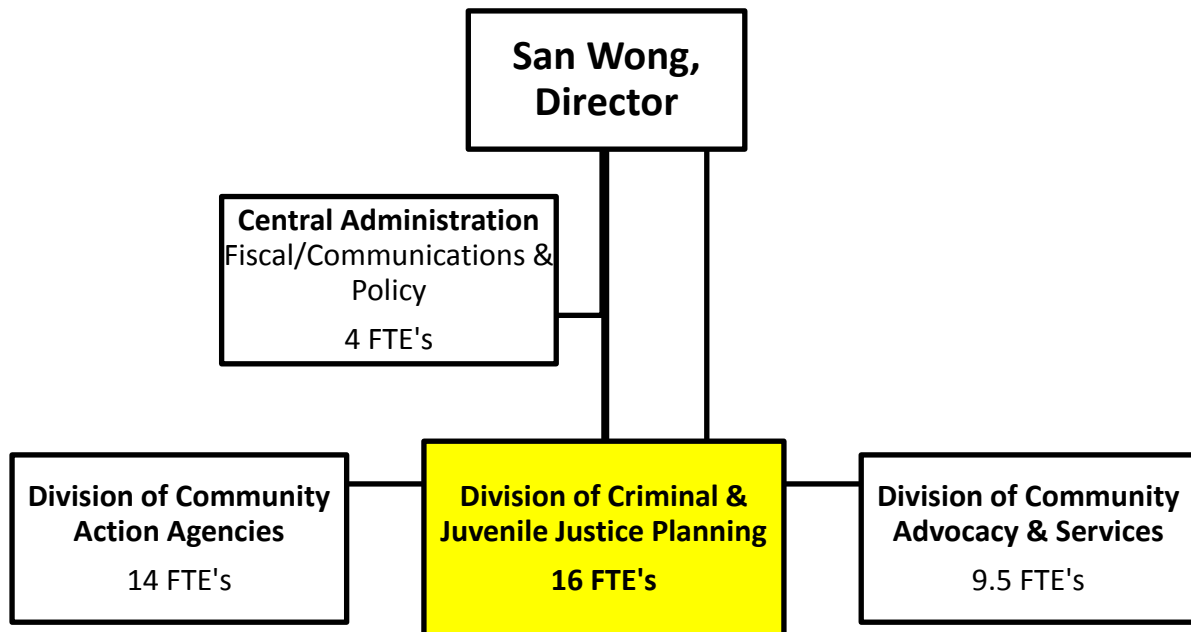
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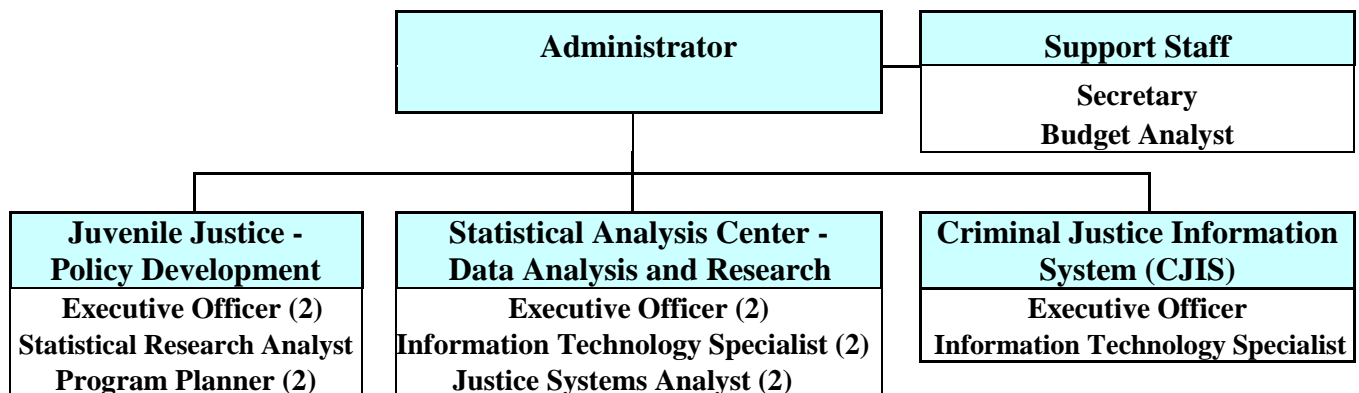
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## Table of Organization



The Division of Criminal and Juvenile Justice Planning (CJJP) was placed in the Department of Human Rights (DHR) when it was established in 1987, in Iowa Code Chapter 216A, Subchapter 9. CJJP's placement in DHR was intended to ensure neutrality and independence from operational justice system agencies in conducting research and evaluation activities.

## Division of Criminal and Juvenile Justice Planning Table of Organization



### CJJP General Fund (GF) Appropriation and Governor's Request

	<b>Actual FY2016</b>	<b>Appropriated FY2017</b>	<b>Governor Recommendation FY2018</b>
<b>Criminal and Juvenile Justice Planning</b>	\$1,254,009	Original: \$1,260,105 Reduction: <u>\$72,272</u> Actual: \$1,187,833	\$1,206,551 Reduction of \$53,554 from original 2017 appropriation (- 4.25%)

The table below shows actual CJJP expenses in FY16, along with the source of funds. Most of the federal support is passed through to local justice system agencies, with CJJP providing technical assistance, fiscal and programmatic oversight, and management of the projects.

### CJJP FY16 Actual Resources

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Federal</b>	<b>State and private agencies</b>	<b>*Information Systems</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>CJJP Resources</b>	<b>\$1,254,009</b>	<b>\$807,438</b>	<b>\$674,562</b>	<b>\$1,555,977</b>	<b>\$4,291,986</b>

\*Includes \$1,367,952 Criminal Justice Information System and \$188,025 Justice Data Warehouse expenditures funded by Technology Reinvestment Fund.

### CJJP Funding History

	<b>CJJP GF Appropriations</b>
FY2011 Original	\$1,284,725
FY2011 Revised	\$1,141,883
FY2012	\$1,023,892
FY2013	\$1,100,105
FY2014	\$1,260,105
FY2015	\$1,260,105
FY2016	\$1,260,105
FY2017	\$1,187,833*
<b>Governor's Recommendation FY2018</b>	<b>\$1,206,551</b>

\*With anticipated reduction

## **CJJP PURPOSE**

*To help state and local officials and practitioners identify issues and improve the criminal and juvenile justice systems through research, data and policy analysis, comprehensive planning and grant administration.*

CJJP is the Iowa Statistical Analysis Center (SAC) and is responsible for:

- research,
- data management and analysis
- policy analysis,
- program development

CJJP also administers federal grants to fund local and state projects:

- Provide services to juvenile offenders and improve Iowa's juvenile justice system
- Plan and develop improvements to the juvenile justice system:
  - SMART on Juvenile Justice – Develop a comprehensive strategic plan to improve outcomes for youth in the juvenile justice system and to decrease racial and ethnic disparity.
  - Girls in need of secure level of care and treatment
  - Reentry from group care and the state training school for all juvenile offenders
  - Juvenile Justice Reform and Reinvestment Initiative
- Improve quality of Uniform Crime Report (UCR) data
- Develop public access portal for aggregate criminal justice data

These activities assist policy makers and all justice system agencies (e.g. Department of Corrections, Judicial Branch, Department of Public Safety, Governor's Traffic Safety Bureau, and Department of Human Services) and others to identify issues of concern and to improve the operation and effectiveness of Iowa's justice system. All of these activities are in partnership with additional agencies and systems.

The overarching theme to CJJP's Purpose is –  
**Working together to improve the systems through  
Partnerships and Collaboration.**

## **CJJP COUNCILS and BOARDS**

- Criminal and Juvenile Justice Planning Advisory Council
- Public Safety Advisory Board (established 2010)
- Sex Offender Research Council (established 2005)
- Juvenile Justice Advisory Council
  - Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) Subcommittee
  - Task Force for Young Women
- Iowa Collaboration for Youth Development Council
- Criminal Justice Information Systems (CJIS) Advisory Council

Each council and board has state and local representatives who have a passion for improving Iowa's justice system. These groups are Iowa's justice **"think tanks"** that identify issues and steer the direction of CJJP's research, studies, and policy issues. Examples of documents and annual reports created at the behest of these think tanks:

- 2016-2026 Prison Population Forecast
- Public Safety Advisory Board (PSAB) Annual Report
- Criminal and Juvenile Justice System Plan – Annual Update
- Sex Offender Research Council (SORC) Annual Report
- Legislation Monitoring Report

Access these reports and additional information:  
<https://humanrights.iowa.gov/CJJP/publications>

## **DATA AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS INNOVATIVE PROJECTS**

### **Easy Access to Adult Criminal Data (EZAACD)** <http://dev.ncjj.org/EZAACD/>

Iowa EZAACD provides access to multiple years of adult court disposed charges and convictions, including information on the judicial district, county, age, sex, and race of defendants, and charge details (level, type and subtype). All results are provided in aggregated, crosstab tables. For more specific information please contact CJJP for assistance.

### **Justice Data Warehouse (JDW)**

Justice Data Warehouse provides information and statistics to support policy decisions on justice system activities to the Judicial, Legislative, and Executive branches of State government and other entities.

The sharing and gathering of data collection systems from Department of Corrections, Department of Human Services, Judicial Branch, Department of Public Safety, and Department of Transportation allows CJJP to provide better data and information for analysis and policy development.

### **Criminal Justice Information System (CJIS)**

CJIS is a statewide integrated criminal justice information system that has enabled automated sharing of information in a common format between state, local, and federal criminal justice agencies including the Departments of Corrections, Transportation, Public Safety, and Natural Resources, the Judicial Branch, the Attorney General's Office, County Attorneys, Sheriffs' Offices, and local law enforcement. CJIS also links with the FBI's NDex exchange.

In a typical month, CJIS performs over 260,000 separate secure information exchanges between justice entities. State, county, and local agencies have come to rely on CJIS practices in order to make their agencies more effective and efficient, and to better serve the public.

The goal of the project is to enter criminal justice data once, and then share the data automatically with other criminal justice agencies.

**WHAT IF...** If asked, what is the best way to improve the justice system and reduce recidivism?

- Keep children and parents engaged in school
- Prevention and early intervention initiatives – divert low risk offenders from the justice system
- Utilize validated risk assessment tools
- Predictive Analysis – Use data and new tools to predict future events (or look at past and present events too). Analysis could assist with future trends, behavior patterns, or provide more detail on decision making.
- Effective and efficient programs and services for offenders

## **HOW TO...**

**SMART on Juvenile Justice** - A multi-agency statewide planning team (SMART Leadership Team) will develop a comprehensive plan to provide a holistic approach aimed at improving outcomes for youth in the juvenile justice system, establishing fully standardized policies and practices and ensuring that services for youth are high quality and effective. **The goal is for *the right youth to receive the right service at the right time*, leading to improved outcomes for youth.**

**Results First – Cost Benefit Model** – In 2012, the Department of Corrections (DOC) launched Results First in Iowa that evaluated adult corrections programs and calculated the rate of return on investment in three program areas: institutional programs, community programs for prison releases, and community programs for higher risk probationers. Based on the results, changes were implemented to improve services for offenders.

In addition to adult correctional services, Results First has the capability to be used in other policy areas including juvenile justice, child welfare, mental health, early child education, and substance abuse. CJJP is well positioned to assist DOC in future Results First assessments and expand the use of Results First to other policy areas. The PSAB continues to support the use of the Results First cost-benefit model to evaluate criminal justice programs.

### **Juvenile Justice Reform and Reinvestment Initiative (JJRRI)**

CJJP is one of three national demonstration projects that implemented the Juvenile Justice Reform and Reinvestment Initiative (JJRRI). This initiative uses the Standardized Program Evaluation Protocol (SPEP) to gauge the likelihood of recidivism reduction among services provided to delinquent youth. SPEP is a tool derived from meta-analytic research that compares existing juvenile justice services to the characteristics of the most effective services found in the research and evaluates the quality of the services provided in Iowa.

The service providers have 18 months to implement recommendations from the individualized Program Improvement Plans (PIP). The subsequent SPEP score measures changes in the quality and effectiveness of the services. JJRRI is continuing, and has expanded from the initial three pilot judicial districts to the Fourth and Fifth Judicial Districts, with the goal to be statewide by 2018, if funding is available.